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Deed of Incorporation

On THIS sixteenth day of the month of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy ;

BEFORE ME, Lewis Alexander Hart, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and sworn, in and for the Province of Quebec, in the Dominion of Canada, residing in the city of Montreal.

PERSONALY CAME AND APPEARED Jacob Gottschalk Ascher, Moëse Schowb, Abraham Edward Cohen, merchants, and Sullivan David, commission merchant, all of the said City of Montreal.

Who declared unto me, the said notary ; THAT WHEREAS there has as for some past time existed, and now exists, in Montreal aforesaid, an association of persons who have united themselves together, under the name of " THE YOUNG MEN'S HEBREW BENEVOLENT SOCIETY OF MONTREAL ; " such Society being established for the purpose of assisting and granting Relief to the needy and distressed of the Hebrew Faith ; and of which Society the said parties hereto and others are Members.

AND WHEREAS, at the Annual Meeting of the said Society, which took place on the

tenth day of July last past, a Committee was appointed for the purpose of inquiring into the expediency of securing the Incorporation of the said Society ; and the said Committee, having at a Special Meeting of the said Society, on the thirteenth instant, reported favorably, was empowered to secure the Incorporation of the said Society, as appears from a copy of the Minutes of the last mentioned Meeting, signed by the Secretary of the said Society and hereunto annexed.

NOW THESE PRESENTS WITNESS that the said parties hereto, being Officers of the said Society and Members of the Committee hereinbefore referred to, and all other persons who now are or shall hereafter become Members of the said Association, ARE hereby Incorporated under Chapter seventy one of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, entitled, "An Act respecting Charitable, Philanthropic and Provident Associations," and shall henceforth be a Body Politic and Corporate under the name of "THE YOUNG MEN'S HEBREW BENEVOLENT SOCIETY OF MONTREAL ;" and by that name shall have continued succession, may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in all courts and places, and in all actions, suits, complaints and causes whatsoever.

THE MEMBERS of the said Society may in

the name of the Society or of the President or other officer or officers thereof, acquire and take by purchase, donation, devise or otherwise, and hold for the purpose of better enabling to carry out such benevolent and charitable designs as now are or may hereafter be sanctioned by the Laws of the said Society, all kinds of Personal and also Real Property (not exceeding five acres), and may sell and alienate the same, and may purchase and acquire in the place and stead thereof any other Real Estate, not exceeding the quantity before mentioned.

THE property, monies, assets, securities for money, stocks and investments of the said Association shall hereafter belong to the Society hereby incorporated, and shall be held, managed and dealt with in accordance with the Laws of the said Society.

THE officers of the existing Association shall be the officers of the Society hereby incorporated, until others shall be duly elected in their stead.

ALL By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the existing Association shall remain in force as the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the said Society hereby incorporated, until repealed or altered by the passing of new ones ; which said By-Laws, Rules and Regulations are now contained in a printed Book, hereunto ennexed and identified by the signa-

tures of the said parties hereto and me, the said notary.

THUS DONE AND PASSED at the said City of Montreal, in the office of said Notary, on the day, month and year hereinbefore written, under number forty-three of the original deeds remaining of record in the said office. In testimony whereof, the said parties hereto have signed with me, the said Notary, these presents having been first duly read and the Seal of said Association being hereunto affixed.

(Signed,)	JACOB G. ASCHER.
(L.S.) "	M. SCHWOB.
"	A. EDW. COHEN.
"	SULLIVAN DAVID.
"	L. A. HART, N. P.

BY-LAWS

(Amended and revised to 28th Oct., 1893.)

ART. I.—NAME.

This society shall be known by the name and title of "The Young Men's Hebrew Benevolent Society of Montreal "

ART. II.—OBJECTS.

The objects of the Society shall be to assist and grant temporary relief to sick and indigent persons of the Hebrew Religion.

ART. III.—MEMBERSHIP.

Any person of the Hebrew Faith and of the age of thirteen years and upwards shall be eligible for membership. The Society shall not be dissolved while ten members remain. Any person may be elected an Associate member of the Society, but such Associate Member shall not be entitled to vote or hold office. Application for membership may be made at any time to the Board of Directors, who shall consider the same as soon as possible, thereupon the Secretary shall notified the applicant of the decision. As a mark of esteem and respect any person may be elected an Honorary Member by a three fourths vote of members present at a general

meeting of the Society. All members shall be subject to the Deed of Incorporation and By-Laws of the Society.

ART. IV.—OFFICERS.

The Board of Directors of the Society shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasury and Secretary, who shall be elected annually, and six Directors, who shall serve for two years, three Directors being elected each year. The Board shall hold office until their successors are elected. Should any vacancy occur during the year, the Board shall elect a member to fill the same for the unexpired term. All officers are eligible for re-election.

ART. V.—MEETINGS.

The Annual Meeting of the Society shall be held in the month of October, on a day to be fixed by the Board of Directors, and of which one week's notice shall be given by the Board of Directors. Special general meetings of the Society shall be called by the Secretary, after one week's notice, upon order of the President or the Board of Directors, or upon the written requisition of eight members. Fifteen members, including Officers, shall constitute a quorum at all General meetings. The election of Officers and presentation of Reports shall take place at the Annual meeting.

ART. VI.—SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The Annual Subscription of Members shall be \$5.00 payable quarterly in advance on the first days of October, January, April and July respectively, or should the member so elect in writing, by weekly instalments of ten cents.

No member shall to be entitled vote or hold office, if he is in arrears, and not unless he has paid one full quarter's dues to the Society. The Subscription of Associate Members over 13 years of age, shall be five cents per week, and those under that age two cents per week. The names of Members who are in arrears for two years subscriptions may be struck from the roll of membership, without notice, by the Board of Directors, and payment of the amount due may be enforced by Law.

Any person may become a Life Member, and be entitled to all the rights and privileges of membership during his natural life on payment of \$100.00 in one sum.

ART. VII.—PRESIDENT.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Board of Directors, sign the minutes of the same, and superintendant the Society's affairs generally.

He shall be ex-officio member of all Committees, and have the right to vote at all meetings thereof.

ART. VIII.—VICE-PRESIDENT.

The Vice-President shall, in the absence of the President, or on the Presidential chair becoming vacant, exercise all the rights appertaining to that office.

ART. IX.—TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall receive and account for all monies belonging to the Society, and shall only disburse the same upon the authorization of the Board, and upon order signed by the President, or in the event of a grant made to a Committee, upon the order of the Chairman of that Committee. He shall keep the Financial books of the Society. He shall deposit all monies in the name of the Society in a chartered Bank, approved by the Board, and all payments shall be made by cheques to be signed jointly by the President and Treasurer, or in the President's absence or illness, by the Vice-President and Treasurer, or in the absence or illness of the Treasurer, the Secretary shall be empowered to sign in his stead. The Treasurer shall submit detailed Financial Statements at the end of the fiscal year. These statements shall be audited by a competent person or a committee appointed by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall afford all information with regard to the finances of the Society when required by the Board of Directors.

ART. X.—SECRETARY.

The Secretary shall notify members of all meetings, keep a roll of the members' names, as also a record of the minutes of the Society and the Board of Directors, and attend to the Society's correspondence and such other duties as generally appertain to that office.

ART. XI.—BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

The Board of Directors shall be the Governing Body of the Society. They shall meet at least once a month. If any member of the Board fail to attend three consecutive meetings of the Board, without satisfactory excuse, he may be removed from office by a two thirds vote of the other members of the Board. Five shall form a quorum at their meetings. The Board shall upon the monthly reports of the Standing Committees, make such grants to the respective committees as the funds of the Society will permit, and as they consider proper, and the amount of such grants shall be paid to the Chairmen of the different Committees who shall be accountable therefor.

The Board may make and order such other grants and disbursements from the Society's Funds on behalf of the Society, as they may see fit. They may appoint and fix the salaries of such officials as they consider requisite for the proper carrying out of

the Society's work, or may depute such appointments and fixing of salaries to that Committee within whose functions the service of the official is required.

ART. XII.—COMMITTEES.

There shall be five Standing Committees, to wit: — RELIEF, SCHOOL, COLLECTION, HOUSE and BURIAL, which Committees may be respectively composed of such members as the Board of Directors may fix, and the members thereof shall be appointed by the Board at its first meeting after election or as soon as possible thereafter. The Chairman of each Committee must be a member of the Board of Directors, and no person shall be appointed to serve on more than two Committees. The majority of the members of any Committee shall form a quorum of such Committee, and they shall make such rules for the regulation of their work as they may see fit, but which rules must not be in contravention of these By-Laws.

(a) The RELIEF COMMITTEE, shall have control of all matters of Relief; they shall enter in a Register to be kept for that purpose, the name, age, sex, nativity and occupation of all applicants for relief, the nature of the relief afforded, and all such other information, relating thereto as may be useful to the Society.

Admission to the shelter of the Home

shall be granted only by the Relief Committee, but in the event of urgent necessity such permission may be given by the chairman or acting chairman of the Relief Committee. The order of admission shall specify the period during which such shelter shall be given.

The Relief Committee shall provide for the necessary food and meals which they may grant to any inmate of the Home.

(b) The SCHOOL COMMITTEE shall have the conduct of the Day and Night School of the Society, the engagement and dismissal of the Teachers, and the supplying of the necessary educational apparatus.

(c) The COLLECTION COMMITTEE shall keep a Register of the members accounts, collect all subscriptions and arrears due to the Society, and hand over the same to the Treasurer monthly. They may organize sub-associations, or appoint "Helpers" to assist in securing active and Associate Members and to collect dues and donations. They shall bring to the attention of the Board, the names of all members who are more than two years in arrears.

(d) The HOUSE COMMITTEE shall attend to the heating, lighting and cleaning of the Home, and to the preservation of the property of the Society. They shall have control over the Janitor or other official who may be entrusted with the care of the Home.

(c) The BURIAL COMMITTEE shall have charge of the Burial Ground of the Society, see that it is put and kept in proper order, and supervise the burial of the dead poor of the Hebrew religion in the City of Montreal. They may, if they see fit, grant permission for the interment of the dead Hebrew poor of neighbouring towns. They shall keep a register in which they shall record the names, age, sex, and latest residence of the deceased, and the number of the grave in which the body has been buried.

All Standing Committees, shall report to the monthly meeting of the Board, their actions and expenditure for the past month, and shall submit an estimate of their requirements for the current month, and at the end of the Fiscal Year shall submit Financial Statements, and Reports of their proceedings. Special Committees may be appointed by the Society or Board of Directors for any specific purpose.

Every Committee shall meet upon the call of the Chairman or Acting Chairman of such Committee, or upon the request of any two members thereof.

ART. XIII.—FUNDS.

The Funds of the Society shall comprise the GENRAL FUND, the SCHOOL FUND and the RESEVE FUND.

(a) The GENERAL FUND shall consist of

all sums received from members' subscriptions, the annual interest on the Reserve Fund, and all donations not otherwise specially indicated. This fund shall be applied to the general objects of the Society.

(b) The SCHOOL FUND shall comprise all donations and grants made for the purposes of education, and shall be devoted solely to the support and maintenance of the Schools of the Society.

(c) The RESERVE FUND shall comprise all donations and bequests specially made thereto, and the subscriptions of Life Members. It may be added to from the General Funds of the Society, by a resolution of the Board of Directors or of the Society, but it shall not be drawn upon except with the consent of the majority of the members at a meeting of the Society to be specially convened for that purpose.

If any sums of money be given this Society in trust for the carrying out of any special object, the same shall constitute a Special Fund, which shall be kept separate and apart from any other Fund of the Society.

ART. XIV.—FISCAL YEAR.

The Fiscal year shall end on the 1st of October, and reports of the actions of the Board of Directors and of the Society, together with the Treasurer's report for the year previous, shall be printed and transmitted to

the members at least one week prior to the annual meeting. Supplementary reports up to the date of the annual meeting shall be submitted thereat.

ART. XV.—CO-OPERATION.

The Board of Directors shall have the power to appoint Committees to co-operate whenever practicable with any other Benevolent Institution or Organization for the more complete furtherance of the objects of the Society, and also to guard against imposition.

ART. XVI.—ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The order of business at regular general meetings shall be as follows :

1. Confirming Minutes.
2. Correspondence.
3. Report of Board of Directors.
4. Treasurer's report.
5. Special Committee reports.
6. Election of Officers.
7. General business.

This order of business may at any meeting be suspended or altered on a two-thirds vote.

ART. XVII.—AMENDMENTS.

These By-laws cannot be suspended as a whole, but at any meeting any special By-law may be suspended for the same on a three-

fourths majority. Six months notice at least must be given in writing of all proposed repeals, alterations and amendments to these By-laws, and the same shall only be carried by a two-thirds vote.

The foregoing By-laws were revised by the undermentioned special Committee, reported to the Annual General Meeting of the Society held at the Baron de Hirsch Institute, 7 St. Elizabeth Street, Montreal, October 28th, 1893, and adopted at a General Meeting specially convened for the purpose November, 1893.

MAXWELL GOLDSTEIN, *Hon. Solicitor, Chairman.*

L. A. HART, *Hon. Notary, Pres.*

HARRIS VINEBERG, *Past Pres.*

D. S. FREEDMAN, *Past Treasurer*

MICHAEL HIRSCH.

Ordered to be printed and circulated to the members at a meeting of the Board held at the Baron de Hirsch Institute, 7 St. Elizabeth St., Montreal Jan. 19th, 1896.

OFFICERS FOR 1896.

President :

D. A. ANSELL.

Vice President :

ISAAC MENDELS.

Treasurer :

LAZARUS COHEN.

Hon. Secretary :

J. BERNSTEIN.

Trustees :

L. HOLSTEIN, I. RUBENSTEIN, M. VINEBERG.

S. J. BRENNER, H. HART, A. FRED.

Chairman of the Relief Committee :

L. HOLSTEIN.

Chairman of the School Committee :

D. A. ANSELL,

Chairman of the Collection Committee :

J. BERNSTEIN.

Chairman of the House Committee :

I. RUBENSTEIN.

Chairman of the Board Committee :

MOSES VINEBERG.

Chairman of the Colonisation Committee :

LAZARUS COHEN.

Hon. Solicitor :

MAXWELL GOLDSTEIN, B.A., L.I.B.

Hon. Notary ;

LEWIS A. HART, N. P.

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W. H. BAKER, Clerk to the Board.

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